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Dear Sir:

Applicants hereby submit the following item in response to the Notice of Allowance and Issue Fee Due mailed January 18, 2006:

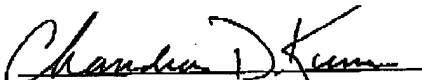
- (1) Issue Fee Transmittal Form PTOL-85b.

Formal drawings were filed and accepted on August 17, 2005.

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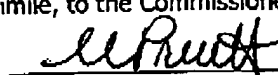
Respectfully submitted,

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